



CITY OF AZUSA
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND
THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE
FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Azusa met in regular session at the above date and time in the Azusa Auditorium located at 213 E. Foothill Boulevard, Azusa, CA 91702.

Mayor Rocha called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Roll call was taken by City Clerk Cornejo.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: GONZALES, CARRILLO, MACIAS, ALVAREZ, ROCHA
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ALSO PRESENT

Elected Officials: City Clerk Cornejo.

Staff Members: Interim City Manager Penman, City Attorney Martinez, Director of Economic and Community Development Christiansen, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Bobadilla, Building Official Keyes, Community Improvement Inspector Hale, Senior Management Analyst Lacasella, Neighborhood Services Coordinator Quiroz, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garcia.

CEREMONIAL

1. A plaque was presented to Robb Keyes, Building Official for his retirement from the City after 25 years of service.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council recessed to closed session at 6:42 P.M. to discuss the following:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54957.6.**
City Negotiator: Tanya Bragg, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management and Don Penman, Interim City Manager
Organizations: IBEW (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers)
2. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS - Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8.**
Agency Negotiators: Don Penman, Interim City Manager and Kurt E. Christiansen, Director of Economic and Community Development
Property Address: South of W. Sierra Madre Avenue, between N. Azusa Drive and N. San Gabriel Canyon Road, APN 8608-001-001
Negotiating Parties: Steven M. O'Bryant and Betty J. Westfall
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION - Pursuant to California Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(2).**
One Potential Case: BKK Working Group v. City of Azusa (related to disposal at the BKK Landfill, West Covina)

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Rocha called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Roll call was taken by City Clerk Cornejo.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: GONZALES, CARRILLO, MACIAS, ALVAREZ, ROCHA
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

ALSO PRESENT

Elected Officials: City Clerk Cornejo, City Treasurer Vasquez.

Staff Members: Interim City Manager Penman, City Attorney Martinez, Chief of Police Hunt, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Bobadilla, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Bragg; Director of Economic and Community Development Christiansen, Director of Utilities Morrow, Senior Management Analyst Lacasella, Recreation Superintendent Chavez, Neighborhood Services Coordinator Quiroz, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garcia.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Ana Estevez.

The invocation was given by Pastor Jesse Aramburo, Canyon Christian Fellowship.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The City Council reconvened at 7:44 P.M.; City Attorney Martinez announced the following regarding Closed Session: Item 1: Council heard a presentation on the status of the negotiation, no further reportable action; Item 2: Council heard a presentation from its property negotiators, no reportable action; and Item 3: Council heard a presentation from legal counsel related to the disposal of waste at the BKK Landfill in West Covina; by a vote of 5-0 the City Council authorized the Interim City Manager and City Attorney to enter into a tolling agreement, tolling any statute of limitations for claims regarding the issue subject to any changes made by the City Attorney's office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jorge V. Rosales commended Director of Recreation and Family Services Jacobs for his great job in maintaining city parks; inquired about the reason for the promotion in Item D-2 and expressed his opposition to it.

Mr. Patrick Padilla requested the repair and restoration of the Garcia Trail.

Mr. Hector Elizalde announced Military Academy Day on October 28 at West Covina Senior Center.

Mr. Bruce Knoles expressed his thoughts on disrespect and unkindness to elected officials, and asked that it cease.

Ms. Ana Estevez provided information about the House Concurrent Resolution No. 72 to improve adjudications of child custody where family violence is alleged and requested Council's support.

Interim City Manager Penman stated that he would respond the inquiries made by Mr. Rosales at the time that the item is heard; and would provide information about House Concurrent Resolution No. 72 to the Council at the November 6 Council meeting.

REPORTS, UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM STAFF/COUNCIL

Presentation: Bob Machuca, Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation to present Most Business Friendly City Finalist Scroll.

Mr. Bob Machuca presented a Most Business Friendly City Finalist Scroll to the City of Azusa on behalf of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation.

Interim City Manager Penman provided a report on a meeting conducted by Congresswoman Grace Napolitano regarding the closure of the gap on Highway 39, which he attended; and clarified the City's policy regarding military banners.

Director of Economic and Community Development Christiansen provided an update on the Block 36 and Block 37 projects stating that the Block 36 Development Agreement had been signed, the 60 day due diligence period was about to end, and pre-applications for the entitlement application should be ready for Planning Commission review by Spring 2018. Regarding Block 37, the City's Exclusive Negotiating Agreement is set to expire and a 90 day extension will be given, the Development Agreement is close to completion, and a pre-application was submitted for Staff review.

Discussion ensued regarding Developer presentations and the A-2 property.

Director of Economic and Community Development Christiansen provided an update on the Smart & Final project on Foothill Boulevard stating that the Grand Opening is scheduled for November 7, 2017.

He also provided an update on the Lagunitas Brewery stating that the tap room is scheduled to be open in late Spring 2018.

Mayor Pro-Tem Macias expressed his sympathy to Ms. Ana Estevez.

Councilmember Alvarez expressed his condolences to Ms. Ana Estevez; expressed his support House Concurrent Resolution No. 72; thanked the Golden Days Committee for their hard work and commented on the success of the weeks' events; and commented on the Garcia Trail.

Councilmember Gonzales expressed his condolences to Ms. Ana Estevez and thanked her for her work; congratulated the Golden Days Committee for a successful week of events; provided information about the ICSC Conference that he attended; suggested a community meeting with the developers of current City projects; announced the 14th Annual Trunk or Treat on October 29; and reminded everyone to drive cautiously on Halloween.

Councilmember Carrillo expressed his sympathy to Ms. Ana Estevez; recognized Staff and the Committee for their hard work on the Golden Days events; and requested that Staff provide a Golden Days debrief report to the Council to include the amount of Staff time and Staff cost that is put into the event.

Mayor Rocha announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Mr. Robert Wayne Lawver, Longtime Azusa Resident and Aramazd "Piqui" Andressian Jr.; thanked the Golden Days Committee, Sister City, Azusa Women's Club, Parks and Recreation Department, Azusa Chamber of Commerce, and the Azusa Senior Center for a successful week of Golden Days Events; wished a Happy 100th Birthday to Ms. Evelyn Hernandez; announced Halloween Movie Night on October 28 and Trunk or Treat on October 29; provided information about the Field of Glory on November 4; and announced the Revel Marathon on November 4; asked that everyone keep service men and women in their daily prayers and offered his condolences to Ms. Ana Estevez.

SCHEDULED ITEMS

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE REAUTHORIZING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 09-01 INCLUDING THE FEE PAID TO THE CITY BY STATE VIDEO FRANCHISE HOLDERS FOR PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND GOVERNMENTAL ACCESS PURPOSES

Senior Management Analyst Lacasella presented the Staff Report stating that the Ordinance would reauthorize and amend Ordinance No. 09-01 which includes the fee paid to the City by state video franchise holders for Public, Educational, and Governmental Access ("PEG") purposes and provide for future automatic reauthorizations.

Mayor Pro-Tem Macias offered Ordinance No. 2017-11 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZUSA REAUTHORIZING ORDINANCE NO. 09-01 INCLUDING THE FEE PAID TO THE CITY BY STATE VIDEO FRANCHISE HOLDERS FOR PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND GOVERNMENT ACCESS PURPOSES

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Macias, seconded by Councilmember Carrillo and carried by unanimous vote of the Council to waive further reading, read by title only, and introduce Ordinance No. 2017-11.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: GONZALES, CARRILLO, MACIAS, ALVAREZ, ROCHA
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

AUTHORIZATION OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER POSITION TO ASSIST WITH TRANSITION WITH NEW RECREATION AND FAMILY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Interim City Manager Penman presented the Staff Report stating that the Item would authorize the Director of Recreation and Family Services Jacobs to fill a temporary vacant Assistant City Manager position for a period of 30 days beginning December 1, 2017 through his retirement on December 31, 2017, to allow for a transitional period with the New Director of Recreation and Family Services as only one Director position has been budgeted; there would be no change in salary.

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed position change and the Council.

Mayor Rocha called for a motion, no motion was given. No action was taken on this item.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Moved by Councilmember Gonzales seconded by Councilmember Alvarez and carried by unanimous vote of the Council, to approve Consent Calendar Items E-1 to E-7:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: GONZALES, CARRILLO, MACIAS, ALVAREZ, ROCHA
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

1. The minutes of the regular meeting of October 2, 2017 and Special Meeting of October 9, 2017 were approved as written.

2. Resolution No. 2017-C67 was adopted and entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZUSA ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID.

3. The Human Resources Action Items were approved in accordance with the City of Azusa Civil Service Rules Section 5.7.5 and applicable Memorandum of Understanding(s).

4. The construction and grant deed of Craftsman Park located within the north Park Neighborhood in the Rosedale Community was accepted; an increase in the Landscape and Irrigation Contract with Brightview Landscape in the amount of \$12,720.00 annually for the maintenance of these improvements was approved; and City Staff was directed to execute the Grant Deed of Craftsman Park.

5. A lease contract with Enterprise Fleet Management for the lease of one (1) lift-gate truck through the use of a bid with TIPS-USA was approved; the Interim City Manager was authorized to execute a lease agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management; and the change of funds for the F-350 Lift Gate Truck from 100% AQMD fund to 50% Sewer Fund and 50% Gas Tax Fund was approved.

6. The list of agreements executed by the City Manager for the months of August and September 2017 was received and filed.

7. Resolution No. 2017-C68 was adopted and entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZUSA RE-APPOINTING DENA SIMPSON TO THE LIBRARY COMMISSION

Resolution No. 2017-C69 was adopted and entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZUSA RE-APPOINTING LITA ABELLA TO THE LIBRARY COMMISSION

Resolution No. 2017-C70 was adopted and entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZUSA RE-APPOINTING MITCHELL LOERA TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by consensus of the City Council.

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: 8:54 P.M.



CITY CLERK

NEXT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-C71 (City)

NEXT ORDINANCE NO. 2017-12

NEXT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-R15 (Former Redevelopment Agency)

NEXT MEETINGS: November 6, 2017 and November 20, 2017